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MENART ET AL.

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FOR: PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF INCREASED AMOUNTS

OF CORRECTLY FOLDED HETEROLOGOUS PROTEIN IN

**INCLUSION BODIES** 

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The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

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